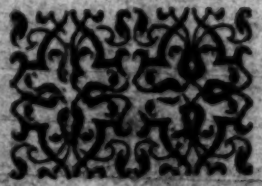
A NEVV BOOKE,

CONTAINING ALL SORTES OF HANDES VSVALLY WRITTEN AT THIS DAIE in Christendom, as the English and French Secretarie, the Roman, Italian, French, Spanish, high and low Dutch, Court and Chancerie handes: with Examples of each of them in their proper tongue and Letter. Also an Example of the true and iust proportion of the Roman Capitals.

COLLECTED BY THE BEST APPROVED Writers in these Languages, now first published.



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RVLES MADE BY E. B. FOR Children to write by.

TO make common inke, of wine take a quarte,
Two ounces of gumme, let that be a parte,
Fiue ounces of Galles, of copres take three,
Long ſtanding doth make it better to be:
If wine ye do want, raine water is beſt,
And then as much ſtuffe as aboue at the leaſt:
If inke be too thicke, put vineger in:
For water doth make the colour more dimme.

To make inke in haſt.

In haſt, for a ſhift when ye haue great neede,
Take woollor woollen to ſtand you in ſteede,
Which burnt in the fire, the powder beat ſmall:
With vineger, or water make inke with all.

To keepe inke long.

If inke you deſire to keepe long in ſtore,
Put bay ſalt therein and it will not hoare.

To make ſpeciall blacke inke.

If that common inke be not to your minde,
Some lampblacke thereto with gumme water grinde:
Each painter can tell how it ſhould be done,
The cleaner out of your penne it will runne:
The ſame to be put in horne or in leade,
No cotton at all: when long it hath ſtaid,
The bottome will thicke, put more common inke:
And it will be good well ſturred, as I thinke.

To make ſtanch graine.

Make ſtanch graine of allume beaten full ſmall,
And twiſe as much roſen beaten with all:
With that in a faire clout knit very thinne,
Rub paper or parchment, before ye beginne.

To chooſe your quill.

Take quill of a gooſe, that is ſomewhat round,
The third or fourth in wing to be found:
And if ſome time of thoſe ye do want,
Take pinion as next, when Rauens quill is ſcant,
And riue it juſt in the backe, as may be,
For ragged your ſlit els ſhall you ſee,
A middle the ſlip that runnes vp the quill:
Were it of gander ye do it not ſpill,
The feather ſhaue of, the quill do not pare,
The ſtronger your penne in hand you may beare.

To make your penne.

[redacted]clift without teeth, your penne good and hard:
Thinner, and ſhorter, on right hand regard:
The clift ſomewhat long, the nebbe not to ſhort,
Then take it in hand in moſt comely ſort.

To hold your penne.

Your thumbe on your penne as higheſt beſtowe,
The forefinger next, the middle below:
And holding it thus in moſt comely wiſe,
Your body vpright, ſtoupe not with your head:
Your breſt from the boord if that you be wiſe,
Leaſt that ye take hurt, when ye haue well fed.

To make a good penne knife.

Your penne knife as ſtay in left hand let reſt,
The metall too ſoft nor too hard is beſt:

Too sharpe it may be, and so cut too fast,
If it be too dull, a shrewd turne for hast:
For whetstone, hard touch that is verie good,
Slate or shooe sole is not ill, but good.

How to sit writing.

Your bodie vpright, stoupe not with your head,
Your breast from the boord when you haue well fed:
Inke alwaies good store on right hand to stand,
Browne paper for great hast, or else boxe with sand:
Dip pen, and shake pen, and touch pen for haire,
Waxe, quils and penknife see alwaies ye beare:
Who that his paper doth blurre or else blot,
Yeelds me a slouen it fals him by lot:
In learning full slow write at beginning,
For great is your losse, and small is your winning
If at the first time an ill touch you catch,
Vse onely is cause of speedie dispatch.

How to write faire.

To write verie faire, your pen let be new,
Dish, dash, long taile lie, false writing eschew:
Neatly and cleanly your hand for to frame,
Strong stalked pen vse, best of a rauen.
And comely to write, and giue a good grace,
Leaue betweene each word a small letters space,
That faire and seemly your hand may be read,
Keepe euen your letters at foote and at head,
With distance alike betweene letter and letter,
One out of others shewes much the better,
Scholler to learne it may do you pleasure,
To rule him two lines iust of a measure:
Those two lines betweene to write verie iust,
Not aboue or below write that he must:
The same to be done is best with blacke lead,
Which written betweene, is cleansed with bread.
Your pen from your booke but seldome remoue,
To follow strange hand with drie pen first proue.
Many one writeth the example lieth by,
Who so on the same doth neuer set eie:
But he that will learne with speed for to write,
To marke his example must haue his delight,
Letter and title to make as the same,
And so shall the scholler be voide of all blame.

Necessarie things belonging to writing.

And one thing well marke, your selfe well to ease,
That none but best hands may alwaies best please:
Both farre off and neere for faire hands do seeke,
And them safe as golde see that thou well keepe,
And neuer let rest thy hand for to frame,
Vntill that thou write as faire as the same.
To writing belongs good things two or three,
As drawing and painting, and eke Geometree.
The which I would wish each wight would obtaine,
But surely to some it were too great paine.
So fare you well, without booke well learne
These few rules I giue, which are as the sterne
To rule a good scholler, which doth his minde bend,
To follow good councell, and so I doe end.

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HOW YOV OVGHT TO HOLD
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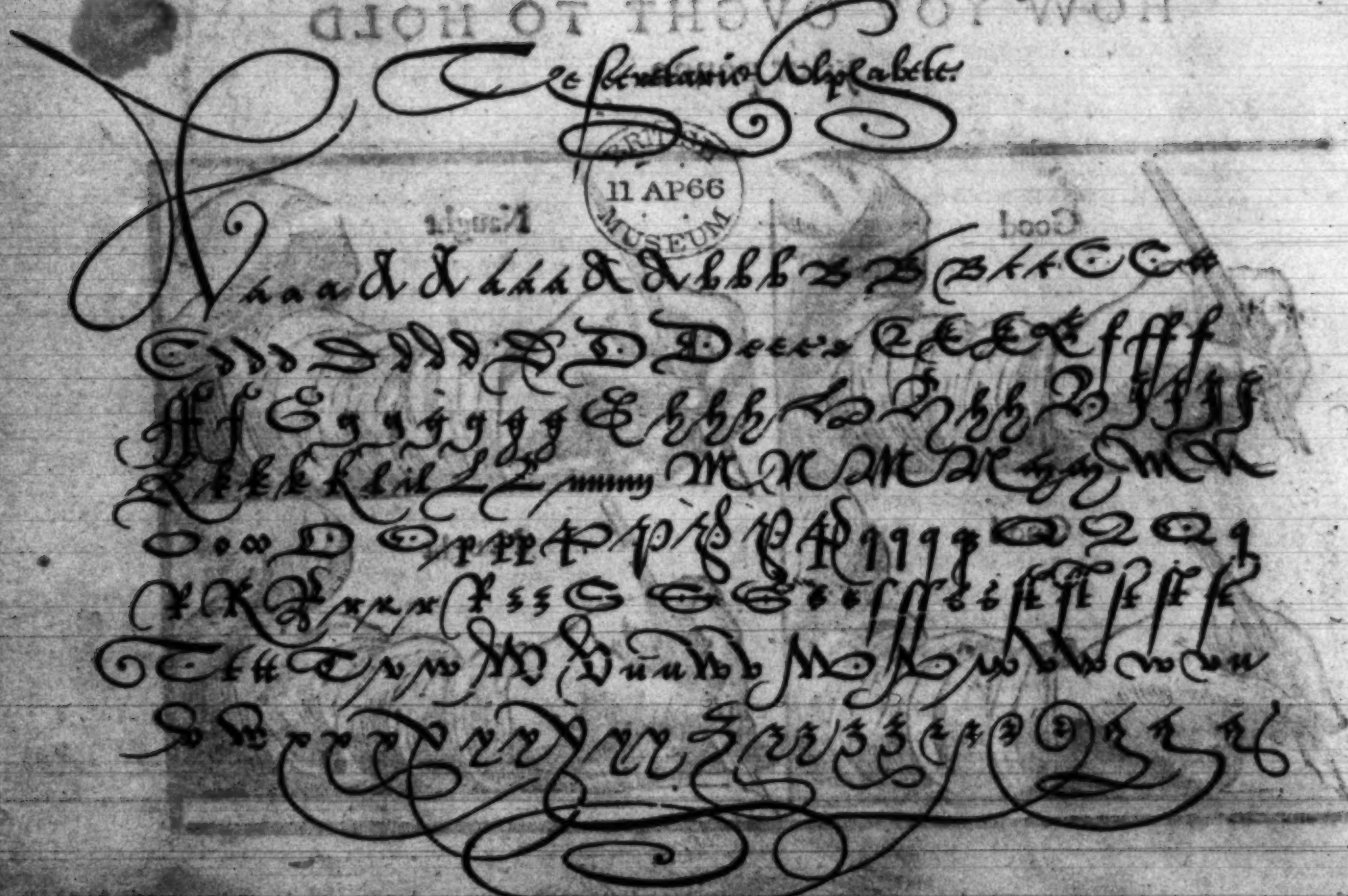

Alios ſpernit amens: prudens vero tacet. qui ſe garrulum præbet, detegit arcanum. ſed qui fidelis eſt animi. rem tegit. Induſtriæ defectu cadit populus. at in conſultorum multitudine ſalus eſt. Malo mulctatur qui pro altero fideiubet. qui vero fideiuſſores odit tutus eſt.

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Principio sapiendi compara sapientiam, & summa ope compara prudentiam. eam extolle, & ipsa te euehet, te decorabit si eam fueris amplexatus. addet tuo capiti additamentum gratiæ: te decoris corona muniet. Audi mi fili & admitte mea dicta, & tibi vitæ prorogabuntur anni; Vt multas habeas viuendi vias. Nam per sapientiæ viam dirigo te, per rectos ducens tramites.

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The sett chauncery hande.

He deserueth great chasticement that with fearefull hardynes as a foole determyneth hymself in high and difficill thinges with hastie counceill whiche requireth long determynacion & aduice.

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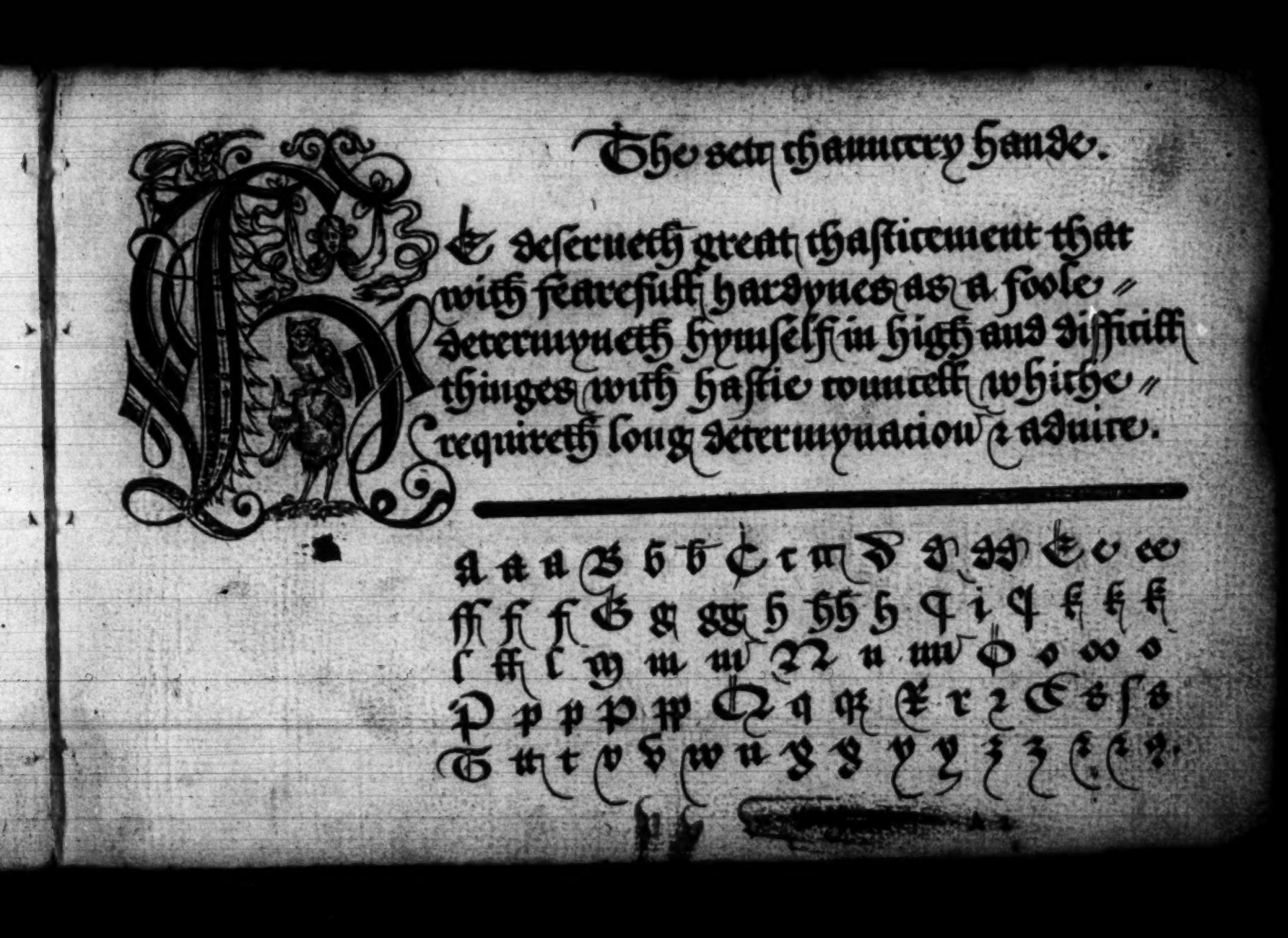

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Italique hande

t is the part of a yonge man to reuerence his elders, and of ſuche to choose out the beſte and moſte commended whoſe counſayle and auctoritie hee maye leane vnto: For the vnskilfulneſſe of tender yeares muſt by old mens experience, be ordered & gouern.

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yke as the clearnesse of the eyes reioyseth the herte,
so doeth a good name fede the bones. the eare that
harkeneth to the reformacyon of lyfe, shall dwell
amonge the wyse. he that refuseth to be refourmed,
despiseth his owne soule. god is mine onely truste.

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The secretarie hande

Learninge is vnto a wiseman a Jewell of goulde and like an armelet vpon his righte arme, a foolishe mannes foote is soone in his neighboures howse, but one that hath experience shalbe ashamed at the person of the mightie, a folle will pepe in at the windowe into the howse but he that is well nourtured will stande withouse.

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The faste hande in the common plate.

Robertus Hampton v. Thomas Cuniston [illegible] in propria persona eius per [illegible]
Hugonem Sampson [illegible] de [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible] ut [illegible] hereditatem [illegible] quod idem Hugo non [illegible]
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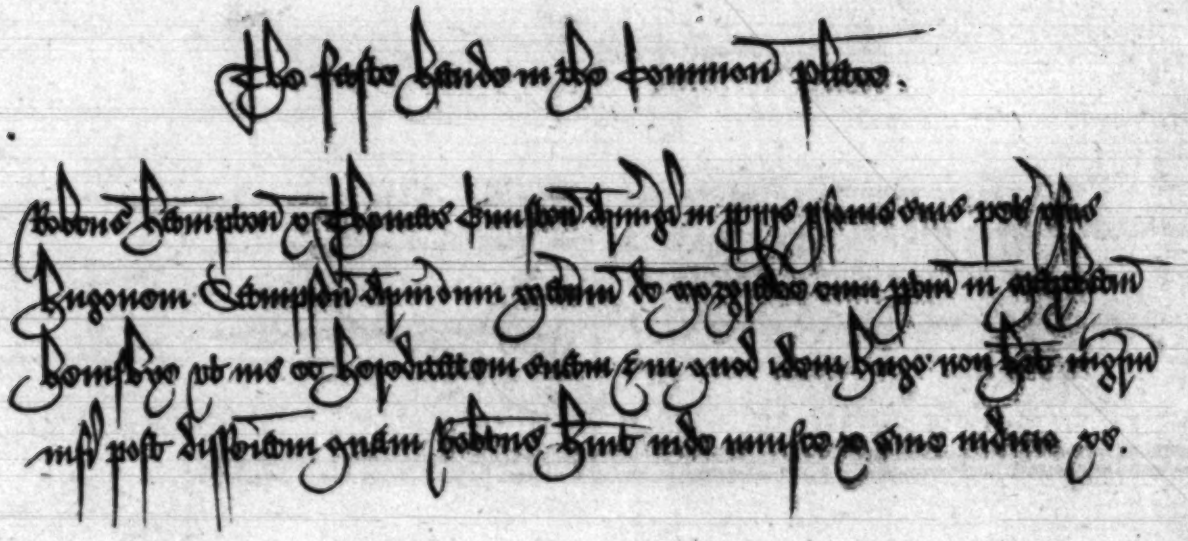

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A small secretary:

Suche wiues as had rather haue vnwyse husbandes whome they might rule then to be ruled by sober wyse men: are lyke to him whiche woulde rather leade a blynde man in an vnknowne waie, that cannot fynde the right waye, then to followe a prudent and learned wise manne, suche as bothe can se and knowe the perfecte waye well.

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A small rounde secretary.

Three thinges are to be pitied, and the fourth not to be suffered. A good manne in the handes of a tyraunt. A wise manne under the gouernaunce of a foole. A liberall manne in subiection to a wretche or a catife. And a foole sett in authoritie. This sayth Hermes the phor.

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Fesyt the ars wel beatem be the redi yrons stubbeuen
as wie sera

Nisi castigetur omnis, ipse rebellis habetur

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enocrates saithe Slepe not without repentaunce for thyne sinnes done and past: Repentance deserueth pardon. It is the duetye of a good manne and a pointe of humanitye, to forgeeue where ye parti, that is forgeeuen repentethe and is ashamed of his fault.

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The bastard Secretary.

If thow haddest the wisdome of Salomon, the bewtie of Absolon, the puissaunce of Sampson, the long lyfe of Enoch, the richesse of Cresus, the powere of Octauian; What can all this anayle the, whan the body is dead &

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Lettre frizee.

Xenophon saithe the loue of this uain and wicked worlde makethe menne to dooe manye thinges cōtrarie to the lawe of theire conscience. For in them ye loue the worlde, is there little regarde of God: neither doth his loue abide in them

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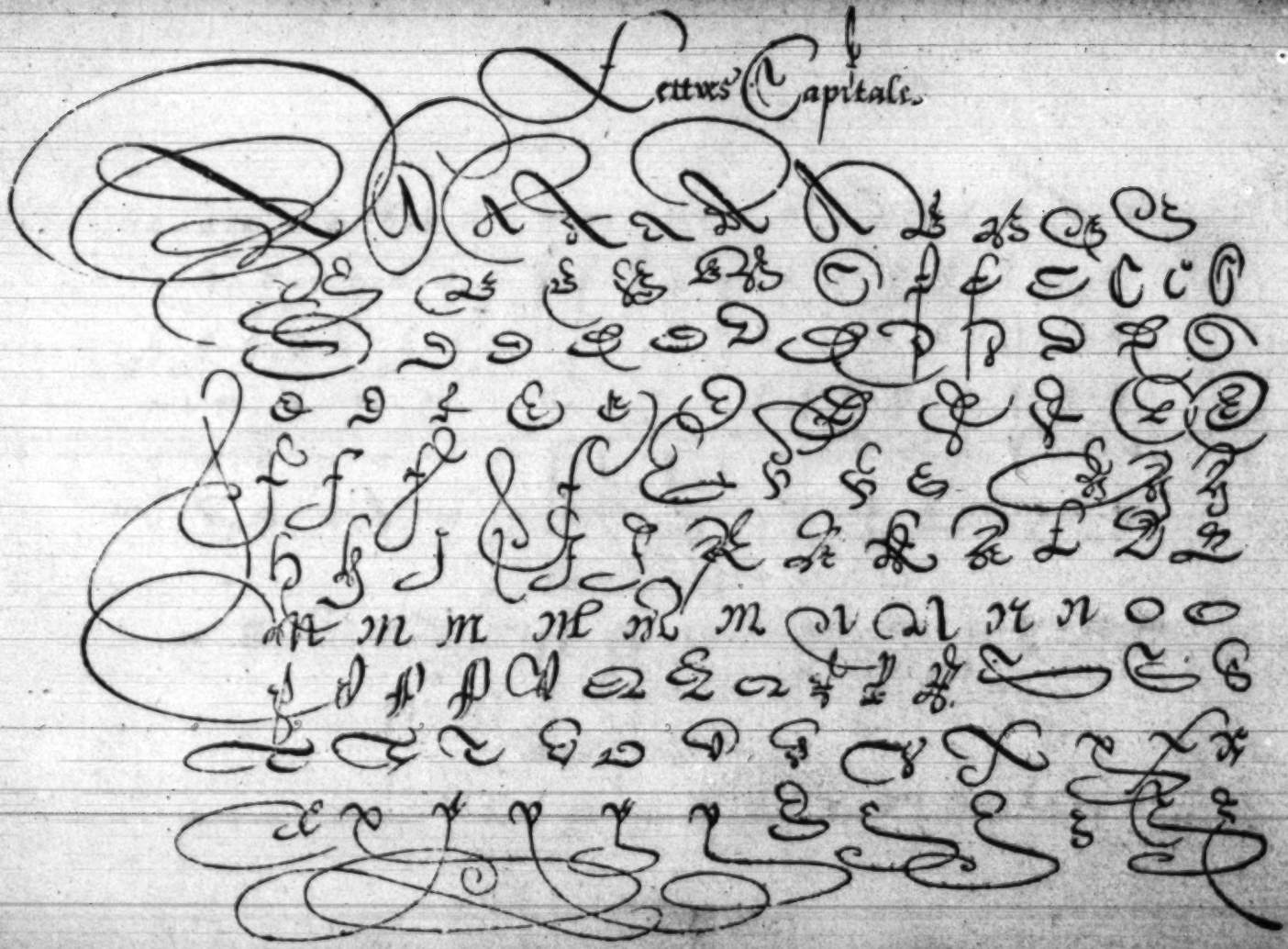

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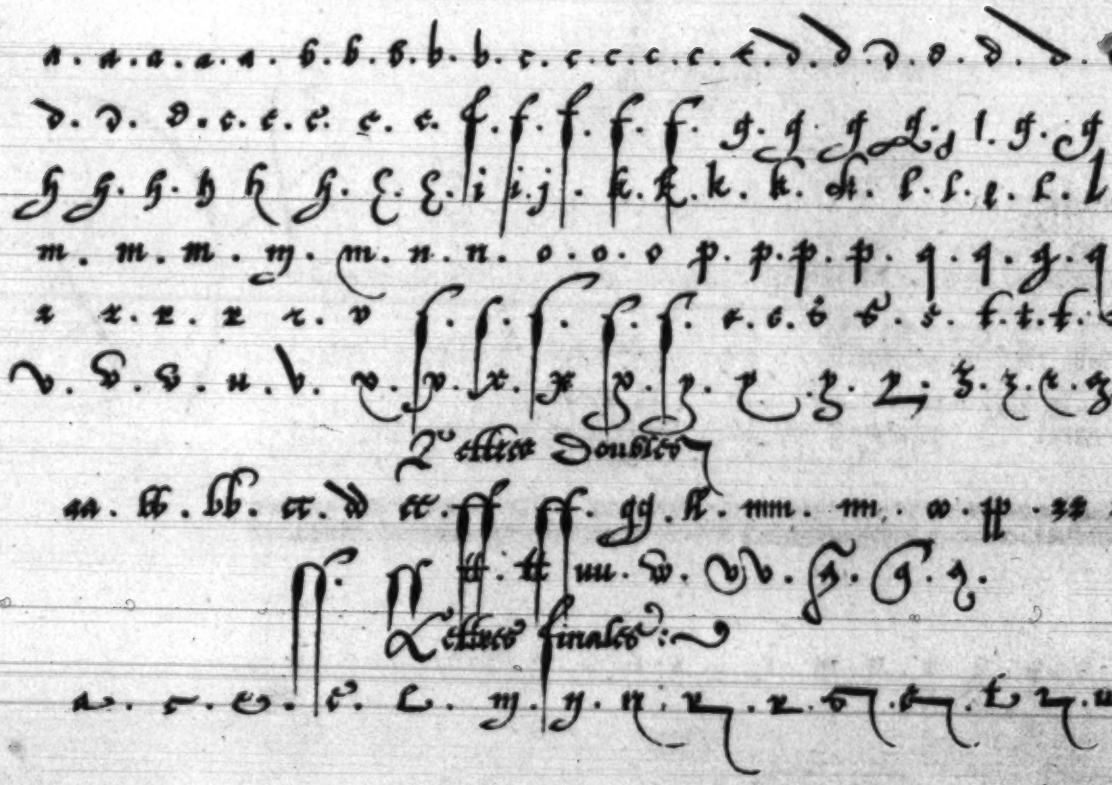
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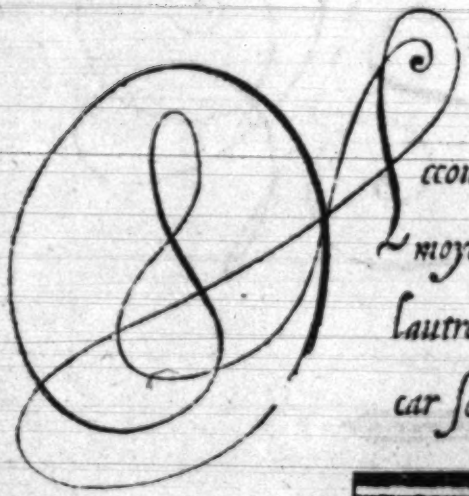

Accoutumez le corps au trauail, & l'Esprit a apprendre: affin que par le moyen de l'vn puissiez executer ce que bon vous semblera: & par layde de lautre, preuoyez ce qui vous sera proffitable. Pensez bien a ce qu'auez a dire, car souuentesfois la langue preuient la pensee & l'entendement humain.

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Lettre commune Francoyse

Bien souuent se trouue des personnes tant indiscretes et importunes qu'elles ne doubtent de molester les hommes modestes et sages. parquoy leur en prend aussi mal: comme au jeune garson qui ayant trop fache vn mouton. se trouue par luy iette par terre.

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Ere Secretarienne

Celuy qui a vne Liberte acquize n'en doibt pas beaucoup vser quand son plaizir
l'en solicitera Mais bien plustost quand la Raizon luy en donnera le conge
Car au ment il se tromperoit d'autant quil cuideroit iouyr de ceste liberte, et
auoir repos toute sa vie, Et il trouueroit n'en auoir seulement pour vn Moys

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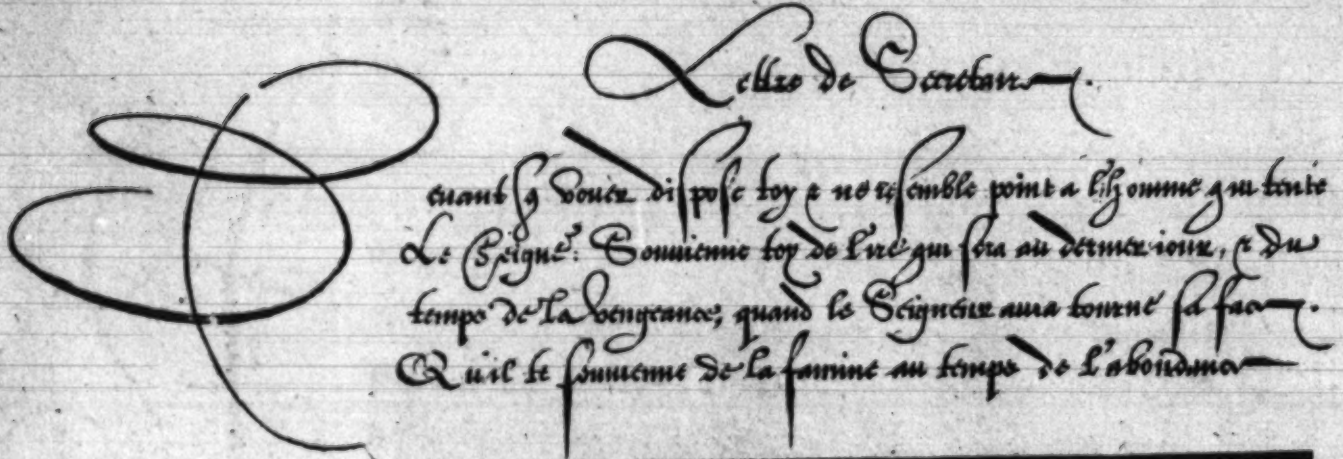

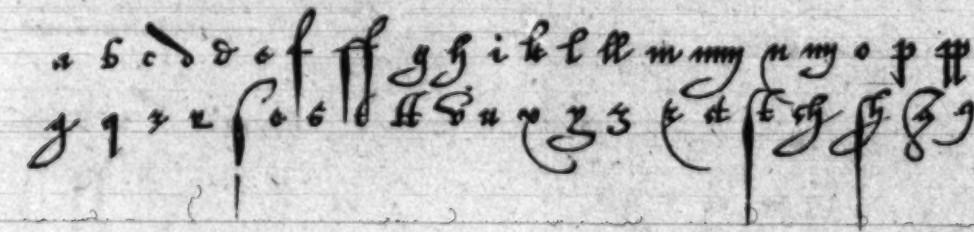

Lettre de Secretaire.

Devant sa vouer dispose toy et ne resemble point a l'homme qui tente le Seigneur. Souvienne toy de l'ire qui sera au dernier iour, et du temps de la vengeance, quand le Seigneur aura tourne sa face. Qu'il te souvienne de la famine au temps de l'abondance

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Lettre d'estat

Fay que plusieurs te veuille du bien, mais n'aye pour te conseiller qu'vn seul entre mille si tu acquiers vn amy, acquiers le en l'eprouuant: et ne te fie point en luy legerement. car il y en a qui sont amis tant qu'il leur est expedient, et ne perceuerent point au temps de ta tribulation et necessite

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Lettre Courante

Garde bien de jamais te fier en ton ennemy, car comme l'airain s'enrouille, ainsi est sa malice, encore qu'il s'humilie, et qu'il chemine fort abaisse, pense a toy, et regarde de luy. Et tu luy seras comme celuy qui auroit nettoye un miroir, et congnoistras qu'il n'a pas esté bien deroullé.

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Lettre d'estat.

Il y a des personnes tant malheureuses & indiscrettes en maniere de faire plaisir a vn homme, que tant moins il aura affaire d'eux, tant plus ilz le caresseront & seront bien aises de luy faire bonne chere sur l'esperance (comme ie croy) d'en tirer quelque recompense, qui est le but ou ilz pretendent

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Lettre parée

Radmus, homme saige et fort renommé entre les Grecz, pour son laborieux exercice et grande
clarité de ses inuentions, fut tant estimé et secouru des hommes de sa relation qu'il feit bastir
la grande Cité de Thebes, ou le premier edifia Colleges des Arts liberaulx, apres auoir
semé quelques Caracteres, qu'aucuns ont voulu dire auoir trouué par le trauail de ses Estudes

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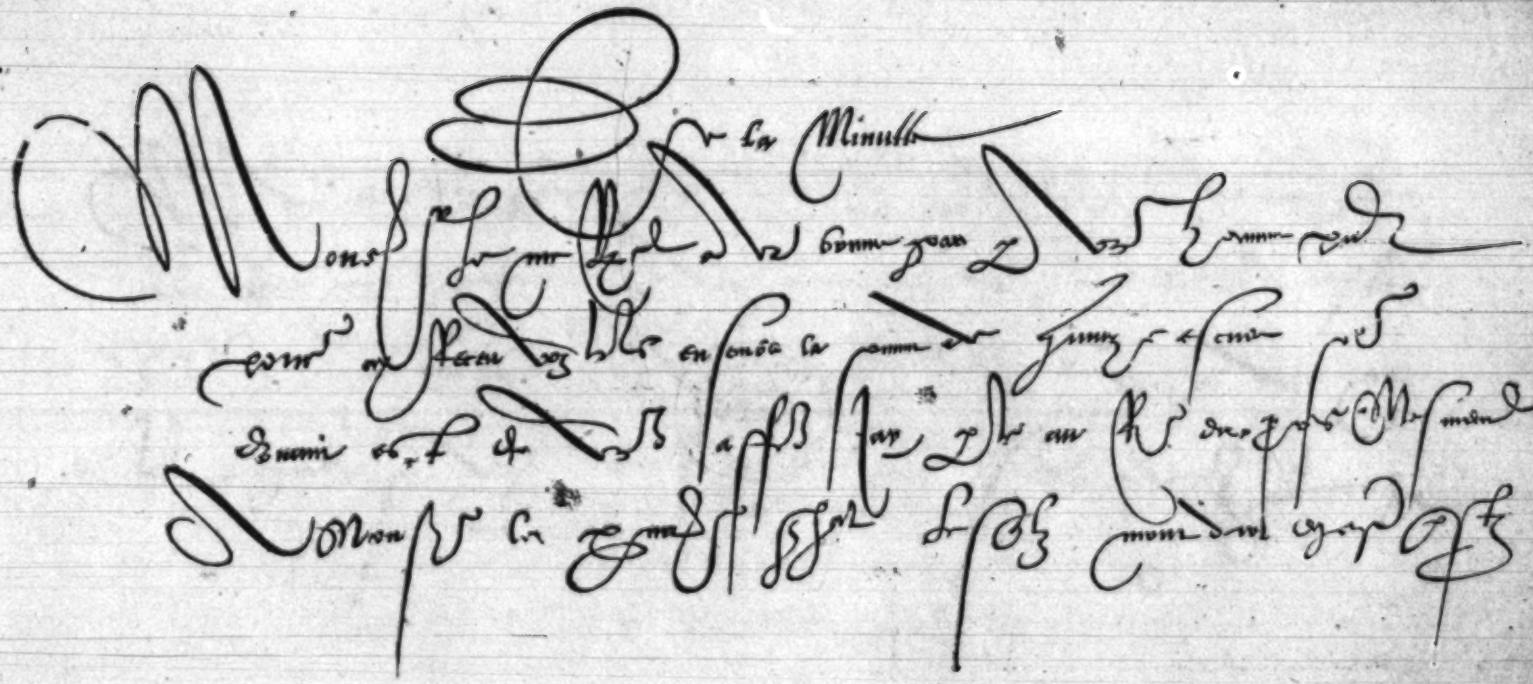

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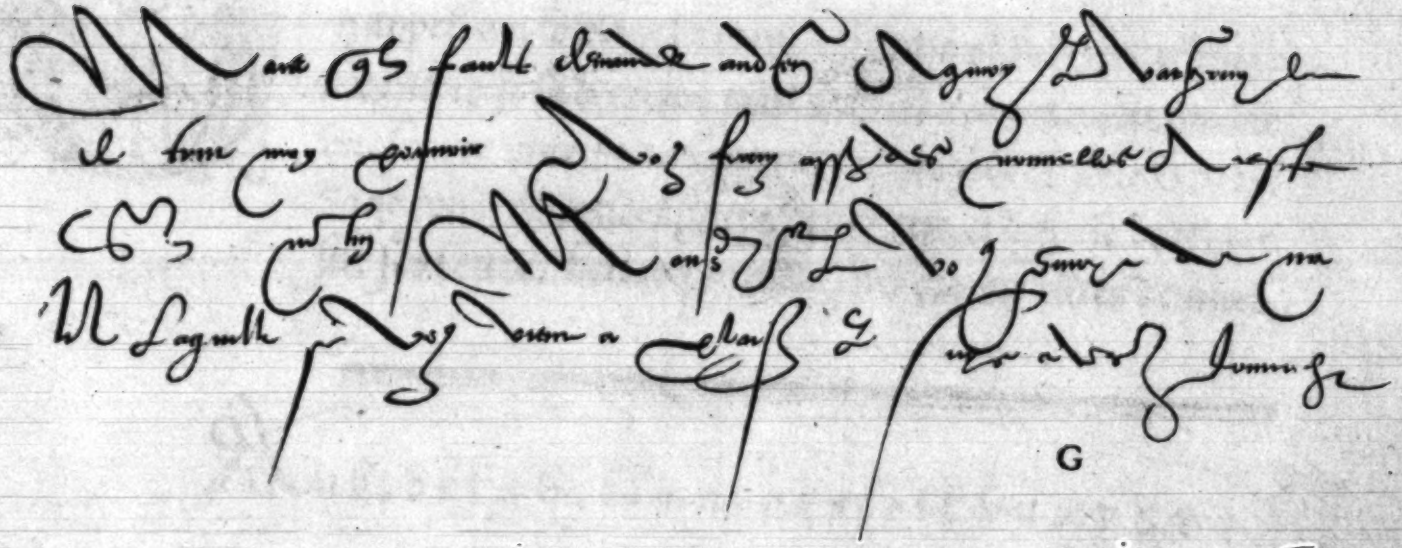

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On appellera le Sage de coeur prudent: et la douceur des leures accroist la doctrine. prudence est a son maistre comme vne source viue: mais linstruction des fols est folie. le coeur Sage conduit prudemment sa bouche, et dispose doctrine sur ses leures. belles parolles sont comme raits de miel.

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Ital que commune.

Vn homme entendu congnoit sagesse & discypline. & loue celuy qui la trouuee. l'homme entendu monstre sa sagesse en parlant: il entend verite & iustice & auec grande modestie ilz prononcent sentences exquises. La principale auctorité de parler est a Di

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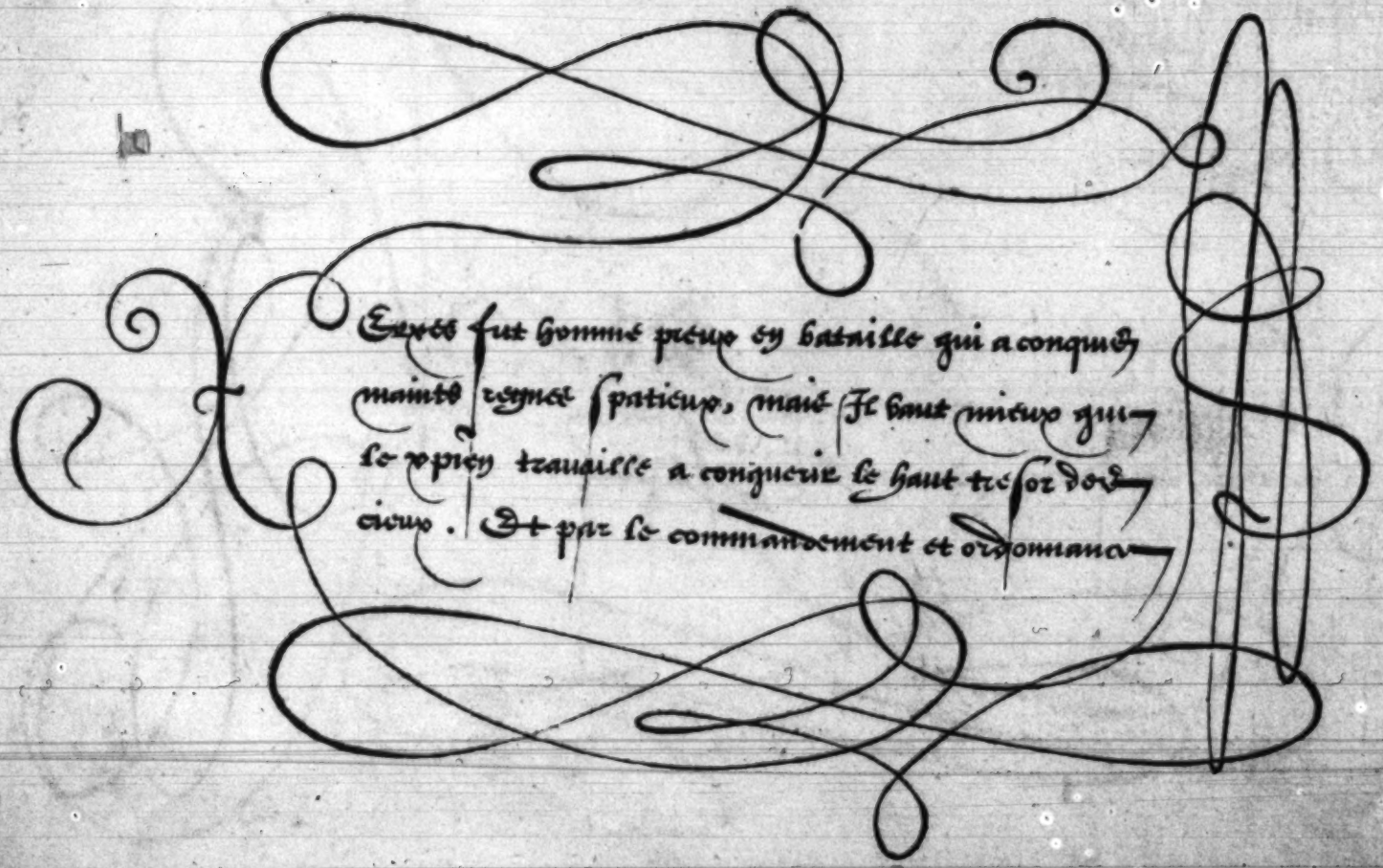

Xerxes fut homme preux en bataille qui a conquis
maints regnes spatieux, mais Il vaut mieux qui
le xpien trauaille a conquerir le haut tresor des
cieux. Et par le commandement et ordonnance

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Nul homme cy en ce monde viuant le corps duquel
ne tende a pourriture, certes nemmy soit doncques
poursuiuant de viure bien par bonte et droicture

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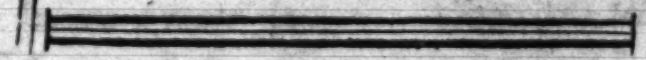
Amour de Dieu faict iouir de leternité.

Zele d'amour diuin doibt esleuer nos ames
Esprises sainctement par les diuines flames,
Pour voler par dessus ce monde fol & vain,
Et qui n'a rien en soy que terrestre & humain:
Ainsi donqu' esleués d'vn ardant & bon zele
Nos esprits iouiront de la grace eternelle.



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Maiuscole Cancellaresche

Cudamida figliuolo d'Archidamo vedendo Senocrate gia vecchio huomo disputare con vno de suoi familiarj, domando, chi coluj fusse, al quale fu risposto, che gliera vn de piu saui vecchi, il quale sapeua cercare la vertu: allhora egli replico, & quando sara da lui vsata, se hora la cerca ?

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Lettere Piacevolle.

Demostene dice, che a nobili, & honesti huomini in prima si conviene la beltà del volto, & la moderazione dell'animo: & che queste due parti hanno bisogno di fortezza: & che l'altre dilicatezze, & lascivie hanno grazia nell' herbe, & fiori.

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Piu eleggibile d'esser la bona fama, che le molte richezze et bona gratia, piu che argento et oro, Il riccho et il pouero si scontrano Il fattore de tutti loro e Il Signore Lastuto preuede il male, et se asconde ma gli sciocchi trapassano receuendo danno, per l'humilita et timore del Signore, vengono richezze, gloria, et vita. sine labore nihil.

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Italique courante.

Qual fu il terreno, tali sono ancora i terreni: e quale è il celeste tali sono ancora i celesti. E si come noi habbiam portata l'imagine del terreno, portaremo ancora l'imagine del celeste. E dico questo, fratelli, che la carne e il sangue non possono hereditare il regno di Dio

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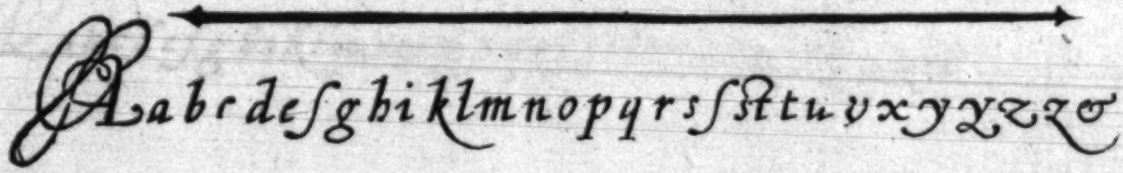
Remuoui da te la prauita de la bocca, et la peruersita de la labra discosta da te, gliocchi tuoi risguardino al dretto, et le palpebre tue dirizzino auanti a te, pondera la strada de piedi tuoi, et tutte le vie tue siano stabilite, non declinare a la dextra, nea la senestra, sed rimuoue el piede tuo de male.



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Spine et lacci sono nela via del peruerso, et quello chi ama l'anima sua se discostera da essi, Instituisse il fanciullo secondo il modo de la via sua, & quando sara inuecchiato non partira da essa. Il riccho domina sopra li poueri, & quello chi impresta sara seruitor a quello chi presta, quello chi semina la malitia, recogliera el male & manchera la virga de l'ira sua.

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Tutte le vie de Lhuomo sono nette ne gliocchi suoi, ma el Signore pondera gli
Spiriti rimette al Signore le opere tue, & sarano stabile le cogitationi tue,
tutte le cosse a fatto el Signore per se stesso, & anchora limpio al di catiuo,
El Signore a in abominatione ogni alto di cuore, Di mano a mano non
sara impunita, In misericordia & verita sara pardonata la Iniquita —

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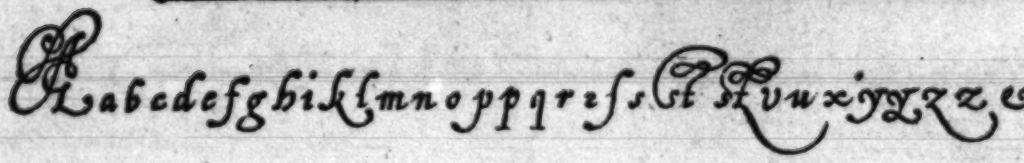

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Xaramagos encendidas y espinos quemados que rechiman sobre el fuego se pueden llamar las risas y adulaciones del hombre loco. Y assi es vanidad y locura la alabança que viene de su boca. Por tanto es mejor oyr la correccion y amonestacion del hombre sabio y prudente, que no las canciones y lisonjas de tales aduladores y locos./

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Tanganos y moscas muertas, hazen muchas vezes que el
vnguento precioso del boticario se corrompa y dee mal
olor: desta misma manera la sabiduria y gloria del
hombre sabio se mezcla con infamia, si algun desconci-
erto (per pequeño que sea) es cometido por el

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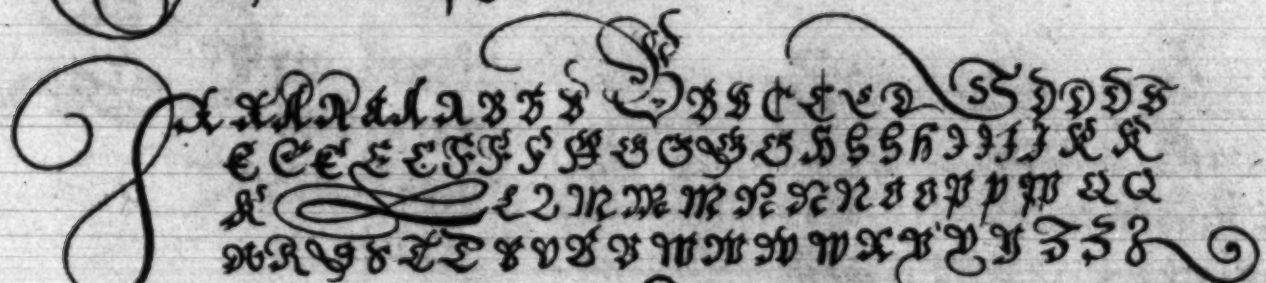

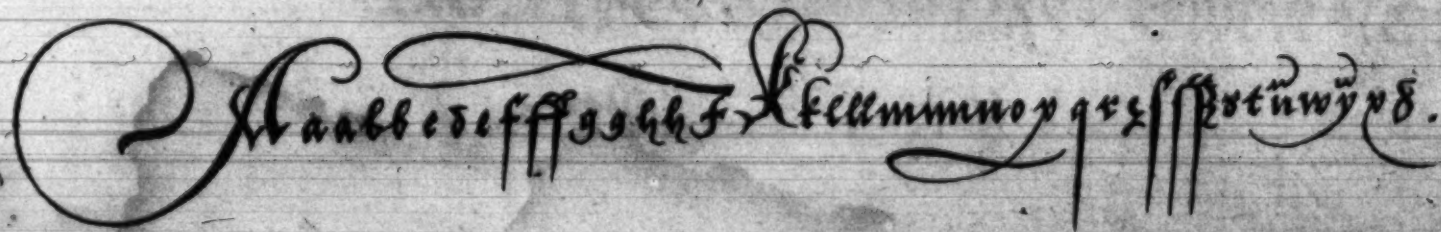

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Dem durchleuchtigen vnd Hochgebornen Fursten
vnd heren heren Wilhelm Hertzogh zu Guelich
Cleeff vnd Bergh Graue zu der Marck vnd Ra-
uensberg her zu Rauenstein vnserem gnedigen
heren

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Ein frolig hertz hilfft zu gesundtheit: ein trauerig gumt aber machet dat marck schwei-
nen der gottlos nimpt heimlich gaaben gericht vnd recht zefelschen. das angesicht
des weysen zeigt weyhevt an: aber die augen der toren durchschweiffend alle land
ein torechter sun ist seinem vatter ein leid/ vnd seiner mutter ein kummer den vnschu-
ldigen straaffen vnd den oberen der recht vrteilet toden sind beyde vast bos

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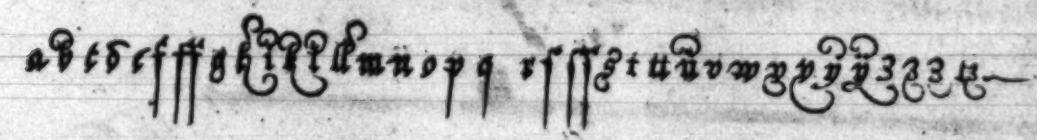

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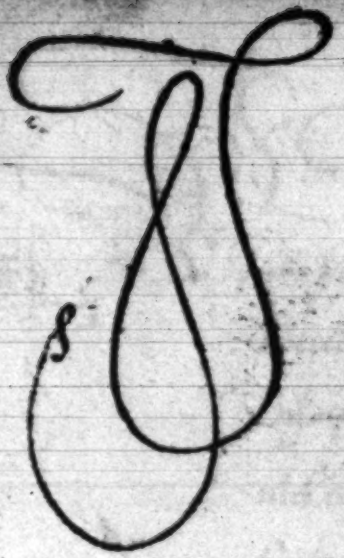

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rkyng vnnd regenten, losend auf vnnd verstond: lernend ir die die
lannd regierend vnnd richtend, Bietend dar euwere oren vnnd
losend, ir die grosse menge der volckeren vnnd lannden beherr:
sehend, vnnd darinnen wolgefallen habend, dann der gwalt ist
von dem herren gegeben, vnnd die siercke von dem allerhochsten.

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Currente hand.

Wem freuntlich gruß mit vermögen aller guten zuuor Erbar besonder gunstiger
freundt, Nachdem Ir vergangen Michaelis von mir Funfzig Dessyn gegerbter
Schaiffell gekaufft vnd mir die bis vf zwentzig thaler nach betzalt Vnd weiters
euch noch zweyvnd dreissig dessen Kalbfell Inn der Gallen bereyt vff Franck
fort zubringen begert, dieselbe alda sambt dem anderen Rest zubetzalen

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Het herte des rechtueerdigen, dichtet wat te antwoorden
is daerentegen den mont der godloosen schuymet het bo:
ose, de heere is verre, vanden godloosen. maer der recht:
ueerdigen gebet verhoort hy: vriendelyck sien verheu:
cht het herte, een goet geruchte maeckt vet de gebeenten.

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Inden huyse des godloosen is den vloeck des heeren, ende het huys des rechtueer-
digen, wordt geseghent. hy zal de bespotters bespotten, maer den ellendighen zal
hy genade gheuen. de wyse sullen eere beeruen daerenteghen wanneer de
dwasen hoech kommen, zoe wordden sy doch te schanden alle boom die
geen goede vruchten voirt en brenght zal af ghehouwen wordden.

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Kloeckheyt is een leuendige fonteyne dien diese heeft, daerentegen de tucht der dwasen.
is dwaesheyt/ een wyse herte spreeckt cloeckelyck/ ende betert de leere in synen li:
ppen/ de reden des vriendtlycken zyn heunichseem troosten de ziele/ ende ver:
heugen de beenders menigen behaecht eenen wech wel. doch zyn laetste
gaet tot den doodt. wel den genen die hun betrauwen in Godt stellen

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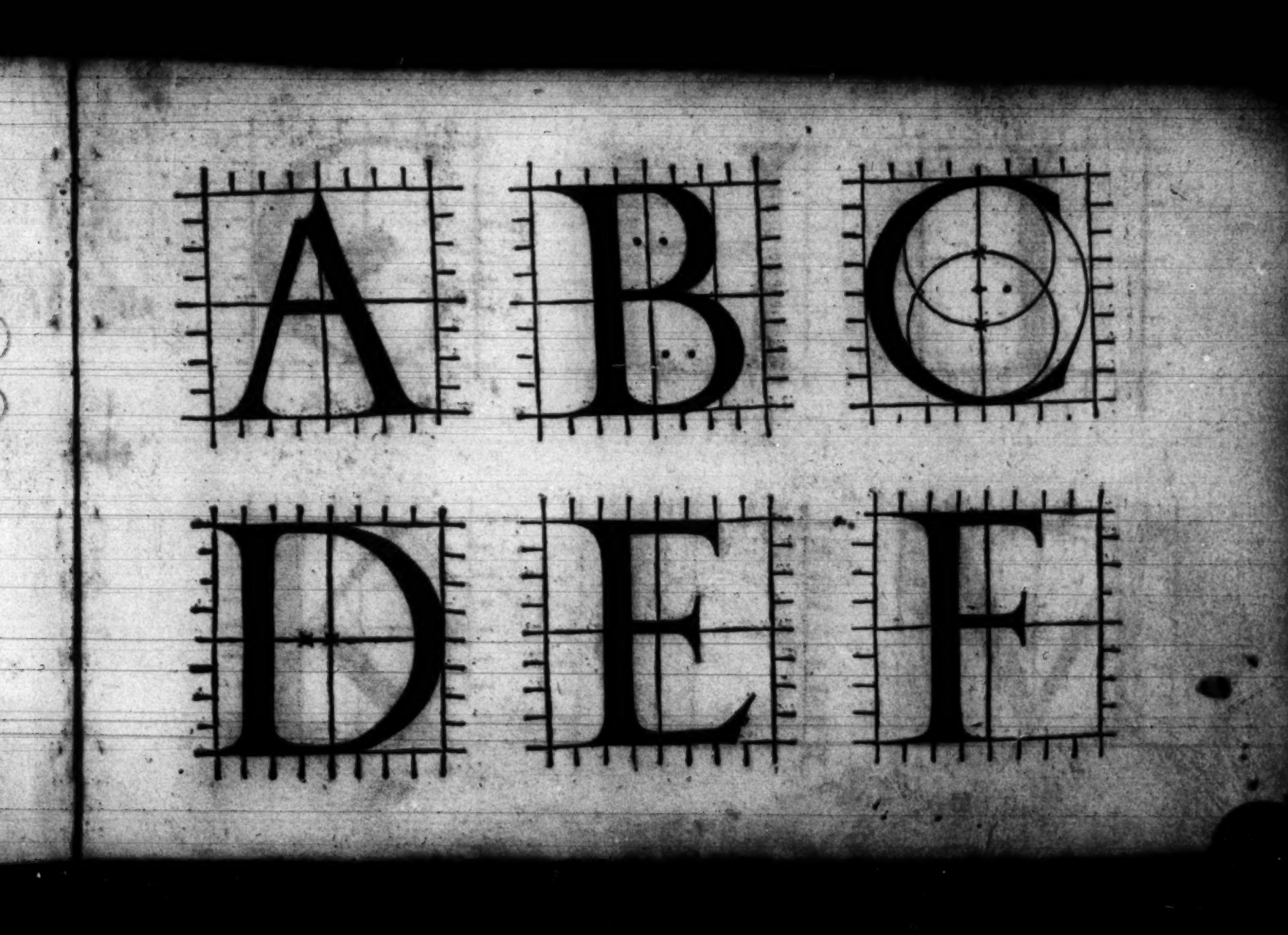
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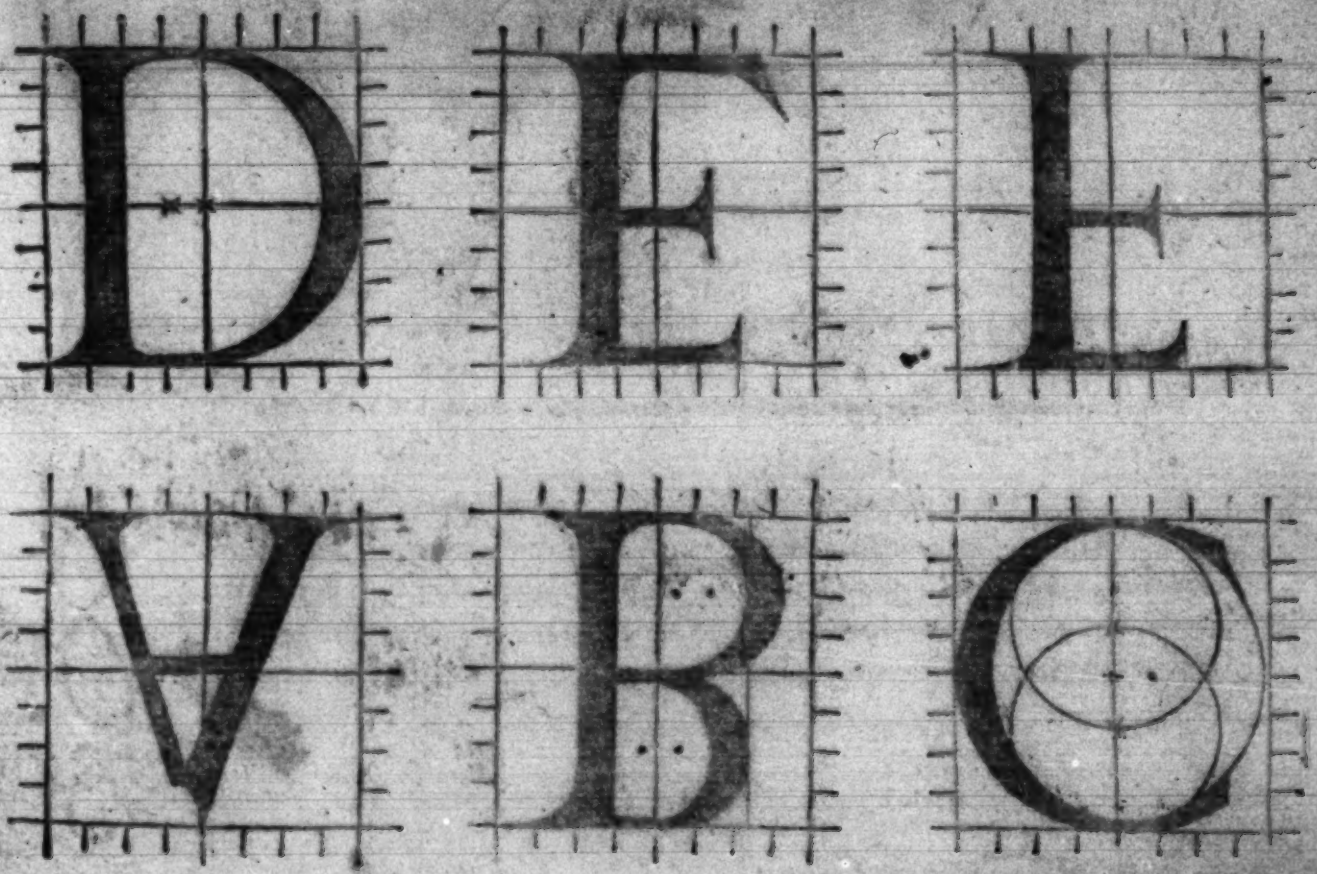
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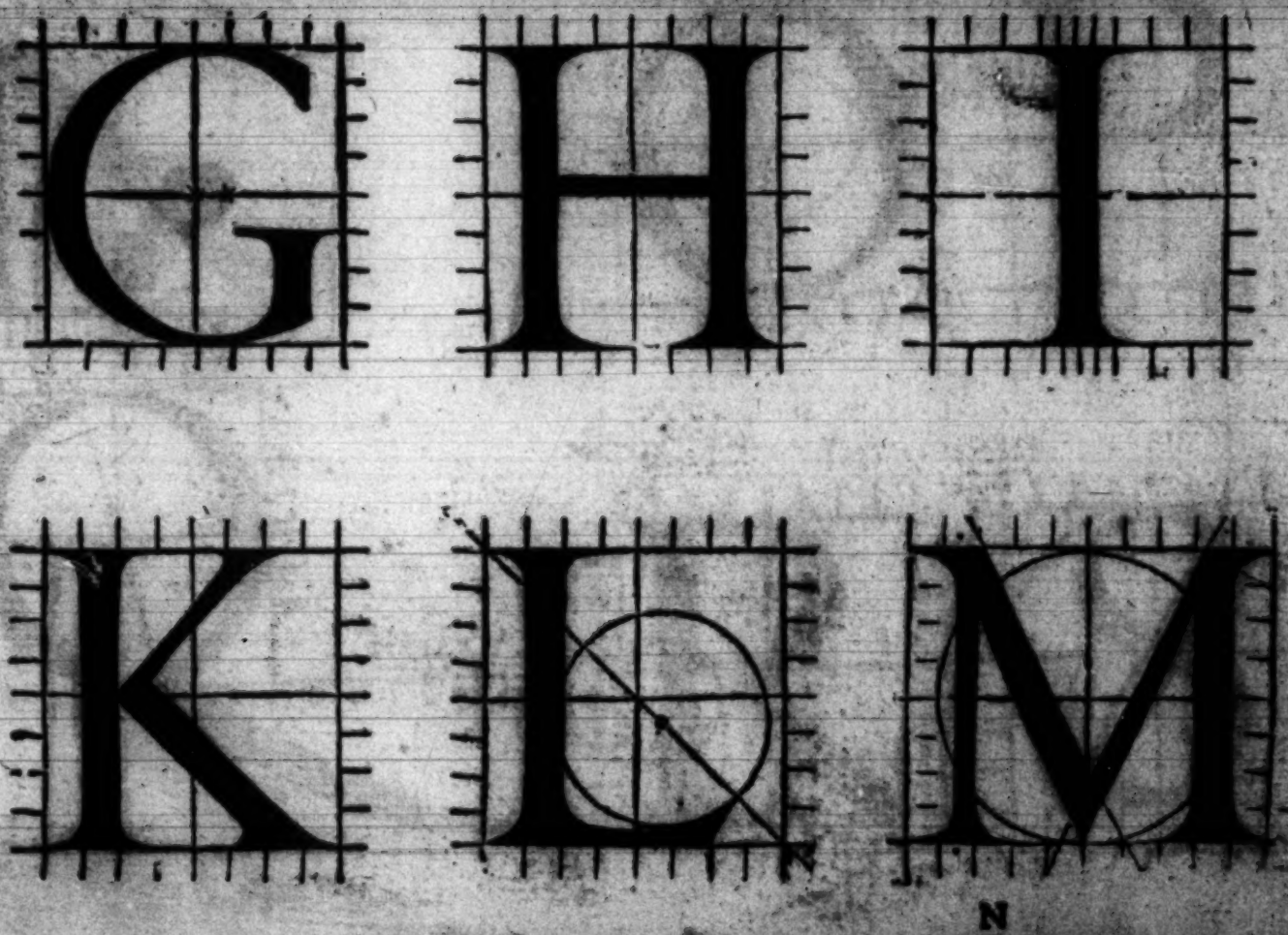
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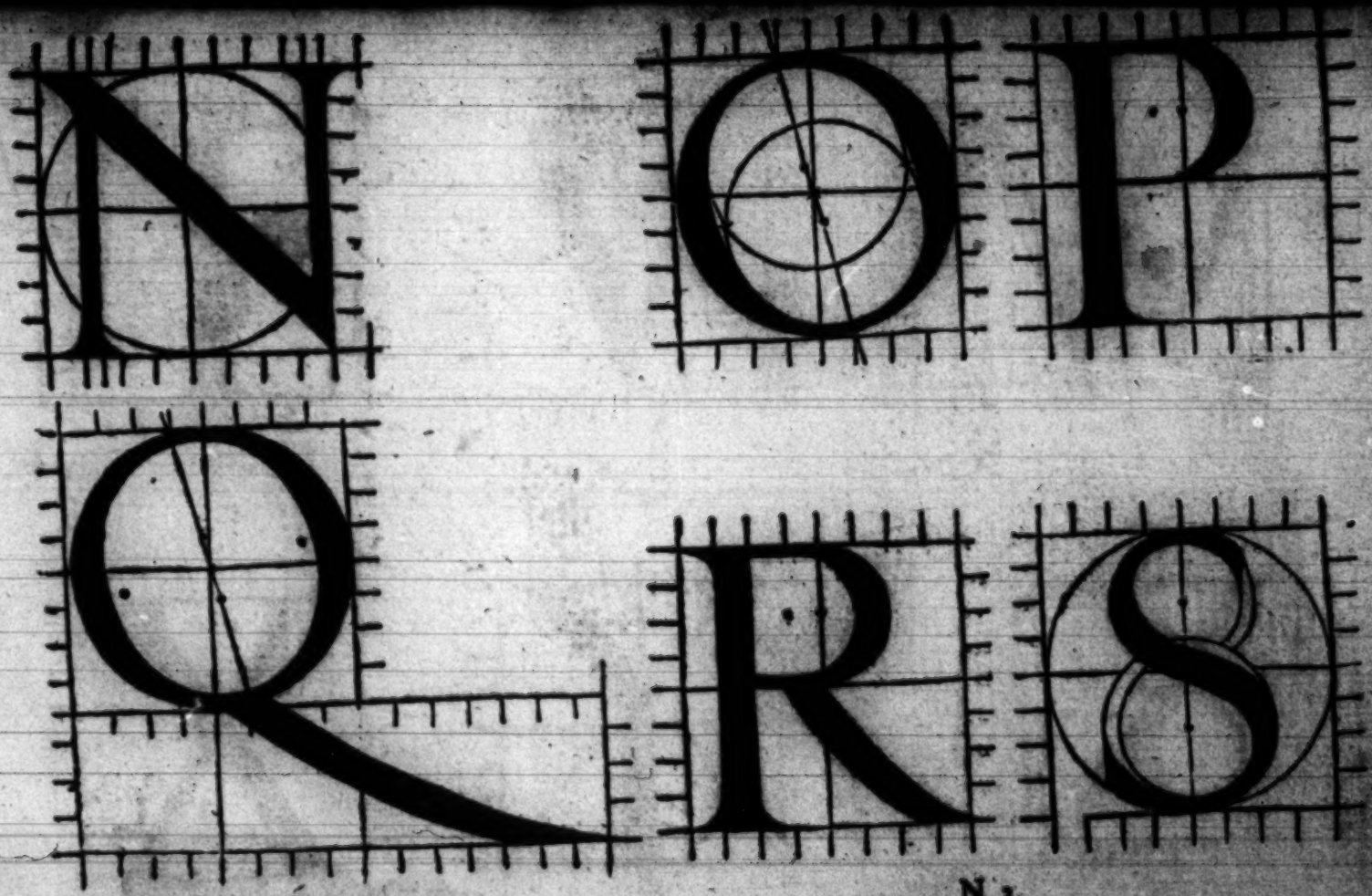
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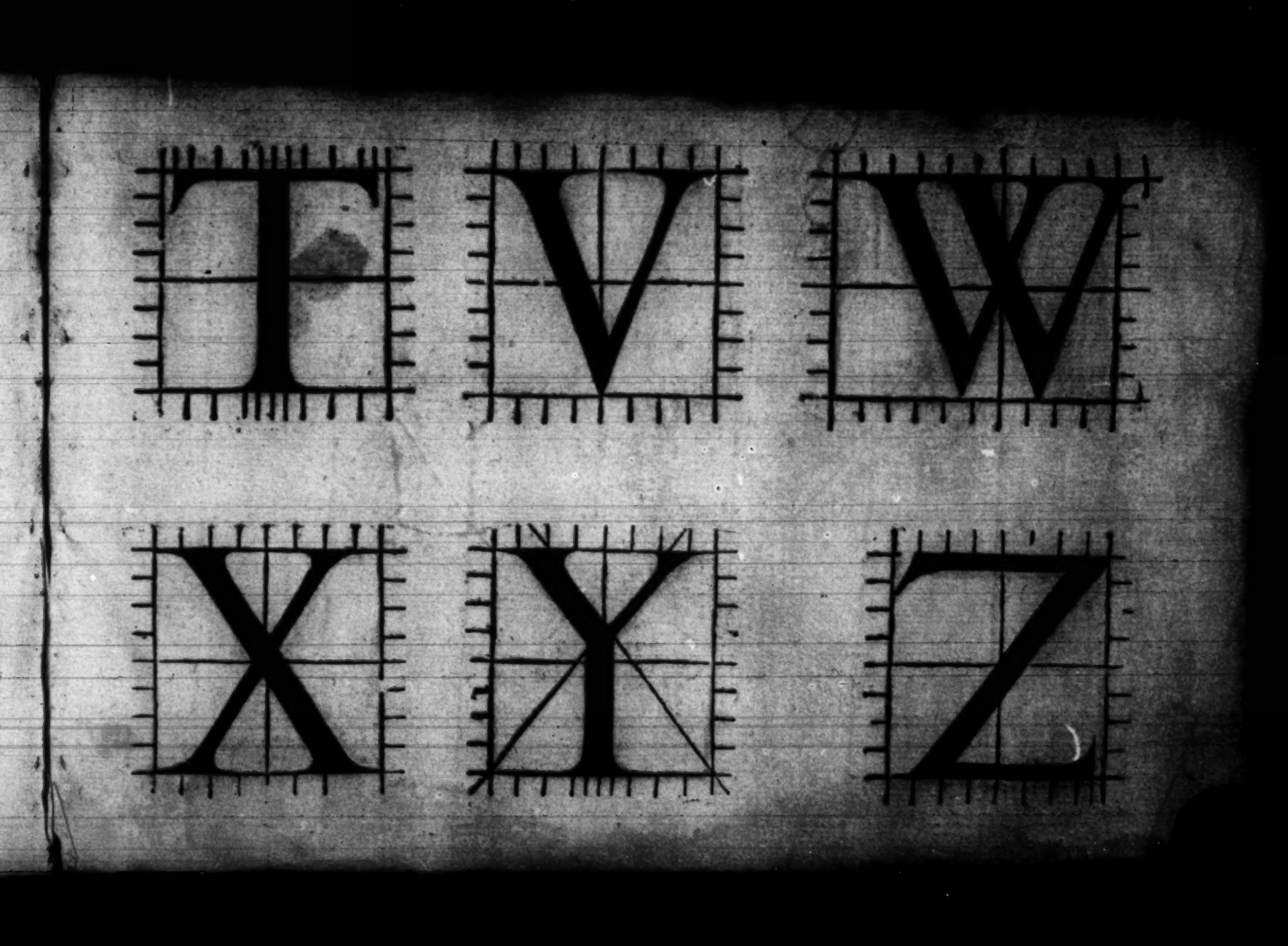
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